Docket No.: 1405.1053

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Masaaki NORO, et al.

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COMMUNICATIONS CONTROL METHOD, RELAYING METHOD AND RELAYING

DEVICE

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 12, 2007, and having a period for response set to expire on September 12, 2007. A Petition for a 1-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to October 12, 2007.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.